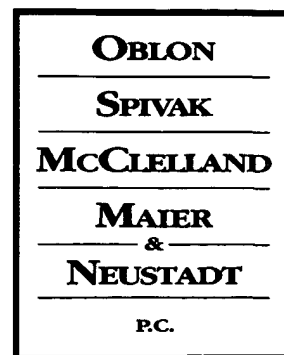




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In response to the election requirement dated August 10, 2005, Applicants elect the first Embodiment, identified in the outstanding Official Action as corresponding to Figures 1-10, for further examination on the merits. Applicants identify Claims 1-4, 13-18, 27 and 28 as readable on the elected embodiment. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected invention.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-4, 13-18, 27 and 28 is in order and is respectfully requested.

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